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**SECOND  
PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the following claims to read as follows:

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65. (Amended) The process of claim 64, wherein updating the static data includes modifying a prime number divisor of the static data.

67. (Amended Twice) The cryptographic key of claim 70, including a stream of symbols.